



Course outline – 30 weeks

Language: Italian

Level: 6

The emphasis of this course is on speaking and in class you will get ample opportunity to practice your conversational skills through pair-work and group exercises.

Course book: *Nuovo Espresso 3. Libro dello studente e esercizi*, (Maria Balì, Luciana Ziglio) (Ciro Massimo Naddeo) Alma Edizioni, Firenze (2015).

ISBN: 978-88-6182-338-9 (Book + DVD-ROM)

ISBN: 978-88-6182-339-6 (without DVD-ROM)

Please note that in this level we cover unit 6-10 of the textbook.

Please note that it might be also helpful to take this online test that corresponds to our textbooks we use:

<https://www.almaedizioni.it/it/minisiti/nuovo-espresso/nuovo-espresso-1/#test-autovalutazione>

Topics and vocabulary	Grammar	Communicative objectives
Family: modern and traditional	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Sebbene, nonostante, benché</i>+subjunctive• Special comparative• <i>Fare</i>+infinitive• Impersonal form for reflexive verbs	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Initiating a new topic with a question• Debating, supporting an idea• Explaining pros and cons• Describing the consequences of a fact
Celebrations and traditions	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Past tense conditional (as future in the past)• Second type conditional (unlikely possibility)• <i>Mica</i> a special adverb	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Making hypothesis• Expressing disagreement• Giving advices• How to mock and be ironic
Historical Italian figures	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Temporal and modal gerund (-ing form)• Pronouns position with gerund• Impersonal sentences• Adjective in <i>-bile</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Describing the life of an historical figure• Describing a travel• Expressing surprise• How to politely interrupt



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<p>Discovering Italy and its heritage</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Indirect question • Reported speech (past tense) • <i>Prima che</i> (+subjunctive) – <i>prima di</i> (+infinitive) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How to ask with an indirect question • Gathering information and asking for detailed information • Reporting someone's else speech • Expressing disappointment • Describing and highlighting a place features
<p>Contemporary Italian language</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Passive (structure with <i>andare</i>) • Subjunctive (past tense <i>trapassato</i>) • Third type conditional (possibility in the past) • Gerund (past tense) • Infinitive (past tense) • <i>Dopo</i> + infinitive (past tense) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Talking about our own lingual mistakes • How to soften/to invite to soften an argument tone • Making hypothesis about the past • how to express a strong disagreement
<p>Topic suggested by the group</p>	<p>There will be opportunities to include subjects/topics/ activities suggested by the group</p>	